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Press Advisory

Secretary of Defense William J. Perry will welcome President Nursultan Nazarbayev of Kazakhstan to the Pentagon, Monday, February 14, 1994, at 2:30 p.m. (EST) with an armed forces full-honor arrival cordon ceremony (expanded).

In this version of the ceremony, Secretary Perry will greet President Nazarbayev as he steps from his car at the Pentagon River Entrance. The two men will then ascend the steps between rows of facing honor guards. They will stand at the head of the stairs facing out towards the parade field and color guard, as howitzers fire a salute and the band plays the national anthems of Kazakhstan and the United States of America. The dignitaries will then turn and enter the building.

Immediately following the arrival ceremony, Secretary Perry and General-Colonel Sagadat Nurmagambetov, minister of defense of Kazakhstan, will sign two documents -- a Memorandum of Understanding on Defense and Military Relations and a Statement of Principle concerning defense conversion matters in room 3E-869. There will then be a follow-on pooled photo shoot with Secretary of Defense Perry and President Nazarbayev in room 3E-928 prior to the start of their meeting.

Media interested in audiovisual coverage of this event may contact Jim Kout or Bob Ward at (703) 695-0168.